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Charles T. Munger to be Honored at September Gala

THE ANNUAL RESEARCH FUND raising dinner is just weeks away. Don't miss this year's exciting event. Honoree Charles T. Munger, noted philanthropist and sought-after speaker, will share his insights with the attendees. This is an excellent opportunity to hear this exciting and inspirational man.

Ray Anthony, now in his 8th decade as a musical star, will keep the dance floor busy with his swing-band. The live auction will offer some unique items such as four tickets to the Pro-Bowl in Hawaii with a special invitation to the pregame warmup and a chance to meet the players. Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant have also donated autographed basketballs in addition to tickets to an exciting Laker's home game. Also offered is a slot on the next OPERA-



Charles T. Munger



Ray Anthony

TION WALK TRIP (slated for the Philippines in early 2001). This will be your chance to know first hand how OPERATION WALK works.

If you haven't received an invitation please give us a call at 213-202-2827. We hope to see you September 23rd to help support the Bone and Joint Institute's endeavors.

Welcome Dr. William T. Long *Orthopedic Surgeon and World Champion Long Jumper*



WILLIAM T. LONG, M.D. IS A LEADER in reconstruction of the pelvis, femur, and tibia. During the past ten years he has performed more operations to salvage severely injured limbs than almost any U.S. surgeon. During the same period he has gained experience from over 1000 hip and knee replacement operations. One day when he was not doing

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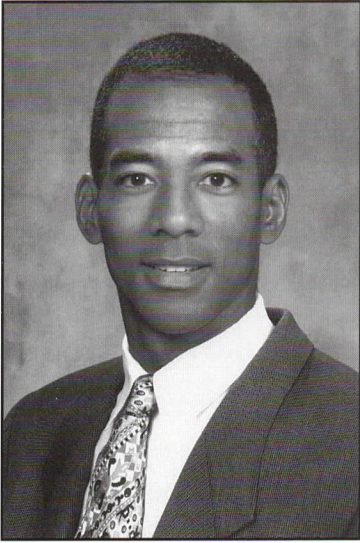
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orthopedic surgery he became the World Masters Long Jump Champion by jumping farther than any man in the world in his age



William T. Long, M.D.

group. The most frequent questions that he is asked are, "How do you do it" and "Where do you find the time?"

"At the age of 17, I was fortunate to have a clear vision of the career path that I wanted to follow. I have been blessed with a passion for medicine and orthopedics that makes my work a pleasure. When one has that passion then he does not have to wait for the work day to end to start living life. Many people do feel that their life does not begin until the work day ends. In

that way I feel like I get twice as many hours out of each day."

Dr. Long had a rather straight forward method of gaining great surgical experience in a short period of time. In the area of trauma he went to work where he could serve the greatest number of patients that had the greatest need. After finishing a joint replacement fellowship with Dr. Lawrence Dorr in 1993, he joined the faculty at Charles Drew University and Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Center in Los Angeles.

"Of course many people believed that I was insane to place myself in the second busiest trauma hospital in California. The orthopedic service was understaffed and the volume and complexity of the cases was extreme to say the least. There were nicer places I could have gone. I looked at many of the doctors that I admired most and many of them gained experience in places of great need. In the long run the patients and the young surgeon benefit."

For joint replacement experience, Dr. Long maintained a long standing affiliation with Dr. Dorr. He met Dr. Dorr when he was an orthopedic resident in 1989 and began working with him in research. He completed the joint replacement fellowship from 1992-1993 where

he joined him in the move from Centinela Hospital to U.S.C. After completing the fellowship he continued to operate and assist Dr. Dorr in surgery every week at U.S.C.

"Dr. Dorr was doing the best and the most joint replacement surgery and he was willing to teach me. It was a privilege to operate with him every week. The move to Good Samaritan Hospital finally allowed me to join him as a partner."

What about the long jump? Dr. Long inherited track and field talents from his father who was a track star at Ohio State just before Jessie Owens attended the same university. At California State University, Hayward, Dr. Long also excelled in all of the sprints up to the 400 meters and the long jump. In college he benefitted from the experience of both the U.S. and Japanese Olympic coaches. He consistently jumped over 24 feet. He sometimes wonders if he had jumped a little farther if he would have chosen a different path!

"The secret to my jumping now is that I have a passion for track which is just below my passion for medicine. I dreamed of going to the Olympics during college and medical school and I never really stopped training. Since the age of 13 I have studied and practiced. Between 1977 and 1989 I did not own a television and that is where I found the one or two extra hours that other people did not have. Now I get up very early five days a week and use three of them to train. During the last eleven years you have to remember that while I was operating, running, and jumping, someone was raising my two sons and keeping the home together and that was my wife Kim. I love and appreciate her."

The Bone and Joint Institute welcomes Dr. Long as a partner and his vision and passion will balance with the skills of the group.